CRUSH U.S HISTORY 1

Great! Let's start with the **most basic to must-know concepts** for the **most tested section** of the CLEP US History I exam:

🔷 **Section 1: Political Institutions and Behavior (35%)**

➤ **Concepts: From Basic to Must-Know**

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1. Colonial Government Structure

- **Concept:** Early American colonies had legislatures (e.g., House of Burgesses in Virginia).
- **Example:** Colonists practiced self-government under British rule but were still subject to royal oversight.

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2. Articles of Confederation (1781–1789)

- **Concept:** First U.S. government; weak federal authority.
- **Example:** No power to tax, no executive branch, or national court system.

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3. Constitutional Convention (1787)

- **Concept:** Created a new Constitution with stronger federal powers.
- **Example:** James Madison = "Father of the Constitution."

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4. Federalism

- **Concept:** Power is divided between federal and state governments.
- **Example:** States control education, federal controls foreign policy.

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5. Separation of Powers & Checks and Balances

- **Concept:** Each branch (Legislative, Executive, Judicial) limits the others.
- **Example:** Congress makes laws, President can veto, Supreme Court can declare unconstitutional.

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6. Bill of Rights (1791)

- **Concept:** First 10 amendments; protects individual liberties.
- **Example:** 1st Amendment – freedom of speech, religion, press.

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7. Federalists vs. Anti-Federalists

- **Concept:** Debate over ratification of the Constitution.
- **Example:** Federalists (Hamilton) supported strong central government; Anti-Federalists (Jefferson) demanded Bill of Rights.

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8. Formation of Political Parties

- **Concept:** Early split: Federalists vs. Democratic-Republicans.
- **Example:** Jefferson vs. Hamilton on the role of federal power and the economy.

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9. Landmark Supreme Court Cases

- **Concept:** Established federal power and judicial review.

- **Example:** *Marbury v. Madison* (1803) = judicial review.

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10. Expansion of Democracy

- **Concept:** Voting rights expanded beyond property owners.
- **Example:** Jacksonian Democracy – more white men could vote.

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11. Civil War Political Causes

- **Concept:** Sectional conflict over slavery and states' rights.
- **Example:** Southern states seceded after Lincoln's election in 1860.

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12. Reconstruction Amendments

- **Concept:** Expanded civil rights after the Civil War.
- **Example:**
  - 13th = abolished slavery
  - 14th = citizenship
  - 15th = voting rights for Black men

✅ **Next: 50 Realistic CLEP Exam Questions and Answers on Political Institutions and Behavior**

Would you like me to continue with those questions now, or should we move to the next concept section (e.g., Social Developments)?

Here are **50 realistic CLEP-style questions and answers** for the **Political Institutions and Behavior (35%)** section, covering the Constitution, political parties, federalism, voting rights, and Civil War-era politics.

🔷 **CLEP US History I**

Section: Political Institutions and Behavior

✅ **50 Questions with Answers (Answers in bold)**

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1. What was the main weakness of the Articles of Confederation?
A. It gave too much power to the President
B. It lacked a national court system
C. It created a strong federal government
D. It banned interstate commerce
Answer: B. It lacked a national court system

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2. Which event highlighted the weaknesses of the Articles of Confederation?
A. Whiskey Rebellion
B. Boston Tea Party
C. Shay's Rebellion
D. XYZ Affair
Answer: C. Shay's Rebellion

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3. Who is known as the "Father of the Constitution"?
A. George Washington
B. Thomas Jefferson
C. John Adams

D. James Madison
Answer: D. James Madison

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4. Which principle ensures that no one branch of government becomes too powerful?
A. Popular sovereignty
B. Judicial supremacy
C. Separation of church and state
D. Checks and balances
Answer: D. Checks and balances

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5. What did the Great Compromise at the Constitutional Convention create?
A. A single legislative body
B. A bicameral legislature
C. The Supreme Court
D. Direct election of the president
Answer: B. A bicameral legislature

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6. What did the Three-Fifths Compromise address?
A. Slave trade
B. Taxation without representation
C. Representation in Congress
D. Election of Senators
Answer: C. Representation in Congress

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7. What is the purpose of the Bill of Rights?
A. Establish state powers
B. Define taxation limits

C. Protect individual liberties
D. Elect the President
Answer: C. Protect individual liberties

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8. Which amendment protects freedom of speech?
A. 2nd
B. 3rd
C. 1st
D. 10th
Answer: C. 1st

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9. What system divides power between national and state governments?
A. Confederation
B. Democracy
C. Federalism
D. Socialism
Answer: C. Federalism

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10. Which group supported ratification of the Constitution?
A. Anti-Federalists
B. Whigs
C. Federalists
D. Populists
Answer: C. Federalists

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11. Who wrote many of the Federalist Papers?
A. Thomas Paine
B. Alexander Hamilton

C. Benjamin Franklin
D. Patrick Henry
Answer: B. Alexander Hamilton

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12. What did the Anti-Federalists demand before they would ratify the Constitution?
A. A national bank
B. A strong executive branch
C. A Bill of Rights
D. Electoral College
Answer: C. A Bill of Rights

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13. Which case established judicial review?
A. McCulloch v. Maryland
B. Gibbons v. Ogden
C. Marbury v. Madison
D. Dred Scott v. Sandford
Answer: C. Marbury v. Madison

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14. Who led the Democratic-Republican Party?
A. John Adams
B. Thomas Jefferson
C. Alexander Hamilton
D. James Monroe
Answer: B. Thomas Jefferson

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15. Which president expanded suffrage to all white males?
A. George Washington

B. John Quincy Adams
C. Andrew Jackson
D. Abraham Lincoln
Answer: C. Andrew Jackson

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16. What is the purpose of the Electoral College?
A. Elect Senators
B. Elect Supreme Court justices
C. Elect the President
D. Elect state governors
Answer: C. Elect the President

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17. The Whig Party emerged primarily in opposition to:
A. The Alien and Sedition Acts
B. The War of 1812
C. Andrew Jackson
D. Thomas Jefferson
Answer: C. Andrew Jackson

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18. The Missouri Compromise addressed the issue of:
A. Taxes
B. Native American lands
C. Slavery in new states
D. Tariffs
Answer: C. Slavery in new states

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19. What event triggered South Carolina's secession in 1860?
A. Missouri Compromise

B. Kansas-Nebraska Act
C. Lincoln's election
D. Harper's Ferry raid
Answer: C. Lincoln's election

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20. The 13th Amendment:
A. Gave women the right to vote
B. Ended Reconstruction
C. Abolished slavery
D. Provided for income tax
Answer: C. Abolished slavery

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21. The 14th Amendment guarantees:
A. The right to bear arms
B. Equal protection under the law
C. Trial by jury
D. Voting for women
Answer: B. Equal protection under the law

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22. The 15th Amendment granted voting rights to:
A. Women
B. White men only
C. Black men
D. Native Americans
Answer: C. Black men

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23. The Emancipation Proclamation freed slaves in:
A. All U.S. territories

B. Border states
C. Confederate states
D. Northern states
Answer: C. Confederate states

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24. Abraham Lincoln's main goal at the start of the Civil War was to:
A. Free all slaves
B. End states' rights
C. Preserve the Union
D. Expand westward
Answer: C. Preserve the Union

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25. What law attempted to reunify the Union after the Civil War?
A. Homestead Act
B. Reconstruction Acts
C. Kansas-Nebraska Act
D. Compromise of 1877
Answer: B. Reconstruction Acts

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26. The Radical Republicans wanted to:
A. Restore Southern states quickly
B. Punish the South
C. Abolish Congress
D. Expand slavery
Answer: B. Punish the South

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27. The Tenure of Office Act led to the impeachment of:
A. Abraham Lincoln

B. Andrew Johnson
C. Ulysses Grant
D. James Buchanan
Answer: B. Andrew Johnson

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28. Which president signed the Civil Rights Act of 1866?
A. Ulysses S. Grant
B. Andrew Johnson
C. Abraham Lincoln
D. Thomas Jefferson
Answer: B. Andrew Johnson *(though he vetoed it, Congress overrode the veto)*

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29. The Compromise of 1877 ended:
A. The Civil War
B. Slavery
C. Reconstruction
D. Westward expansion
Answer: C. Reconstruction

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30. The Fugitive Slave Act required:
A. Slaves be freed if they reached free states
B. Northerners return escaped slaves
C. Slaves to pay taxes
D. African Americans to carry ID
Answer: B. Northerners return escaped slaves

(Questions 31–50 coming next. Would you like me to continue with them now?)

Here are **questions 31–50** for the **Political Institutions and Behavior** section of the CLEP US History I exam.

🔷 **CLEP US History I**

Section: Political Institutions and Behavior

✅ **50 Questions with Answers (continued)**

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31. What political issue dominated American politics in the 1850s?
A. Women's suffrage
B. Taxation
C. Slavery and its expansion
D. Foreign alliances
Answer: C. Slavery and its expansion

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32. What party was founded in the 1850s to oppose the spread of slavery?
A. Democratic Party
B. Whig Party
C. Republican Party
D. Free Soil Party
Answer: C. Republican Party

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33. What legislation allowed territories to vote on slavery?
A. Homestead Act
B. Missouri Compromise
C. Kansas-Nebraska Act
D. Compromise of 1850
Answer: C. Kansas-Nebraska Act

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34. The Dred Scott decision ruled that:
A. Slavery was unconstitutional
B. African Americans were not citizens
C. Slaves could sue in court
D. Congress could ban slavery
Answer: B. African Americans were not citizens

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35. Which abolitionist led a raid at Harpers Ferry?
A. Frederick Douglass
B. William Lloyd Garrison
C. Nat Turner
D. John Brown
Answer: D. John Brown

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36. What was the purpose of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address?
A. To end slavery
B. To dedicate a cemetery and redefine the war's purpose
C. To declare war
D. To explain the Emancipation Proclamation
Answer: B. To dedicate a cemetery and redefine the war's purpose

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37. What role did the Supreme Court play in the expansion of federal power?
A. Limited presidential powers
B. Encouraged state independence
C. Supported national supremacy
D. Opposed judicial review
Answer: C. Supported national supremacy

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38. Which case confirmed Congress's power to regulate interstate commerce?
A. Marbury v. Madison
B. Dred Scott v. Sandford
C. Gibbons v. Ogden
D. Plessy v. Ferguson
Answer: C. Gibbons v. Ogden

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39. Which case upheld the Bank of the United States?
A. McCulloch v. Maryland
B. Worcester v. Georgia
C. Gibbons v. Ogden
D. Marbury v. Madison
Answer: A. McCulloch v. Maryland

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40. What is the "spoils system" associated with?
A. Civil service reform
B. Jacksonian politics
C. Federalist policies
D. Reconstruction
Answer: B. Jacksonian politics

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41. Which president is associated with the Indian Removal Act?
A. James Monroe
B. Andrew Jackson
C. Martin Van Buren
D. John Tyler
Answer: B. Andrew Jackson

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42. What political shift occurred during the “Jacksonian Era”?
A. Decline in voter participation
B. Emergence of a new monarchy
C. Rise of the common man in politics
D. Repeal of the Constitution
Answer: C. Rise of the common man in politics

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43. Which political party collapsed over the issue of slavery?
A. Democratic-Republicans
B. Federalists
C. Whigs
D. Republicans
Answer: C. Whigs

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44. What was the main goal of the Know-Nothing Party?
A. Promote slavery
B. Abolish slavery
C. Oppose immigration
D. Increase federal power
Answer: C. Oppose immigration

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45. Why did many Southern states justify secession?
A. Lack of economic growth
B. Fear of British invasion
C. States’ rights
D. Religious differences
Answer: C. States’ rights

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46. What was Lincoln's position on slavery in 1860?
A. Immediate abolition everywhere
B. Expansion into all territories
C. Preservation where it already existed
D. Re-enslavement in the North
Answer: C. Preservation where it already existed

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47. During Reconstruction, Black Codes were laws that:
A. Guaranteed civil rights
B. Encouraged migration
C. Restricted African American freedoms
D. Allowed intermarriage
Answer: C. Restricted African American freedoms

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48. Which president's election marked the end of Reconstruction?
A. Ulysses S. Grant
B. Rutherford B. Hayes
C. Grover Cleveland
D. Andrew Johnson
Answer: B. Rutherford B. Hayes

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49. What was the Ten Percent Plan?
A. Tax policy under Lincoln
B. Voting rights for women
C. Lincoln's plan for Southern readmission
D. Northern draft strategy
Answer: C. Lincoln's plan for Southern readmission

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50. Which political party controlled Reconstruction policy in Congress?
A. Democrats
B. Federalists
C. Radical Republicans
D. Whigs
Answer: C. Radical Republicans

Would you like to move to the next most-tested CLEP US History I section: **Social Developments (25%)**, including slavery, religious movements, reform efforts, women's rights, and cultural life?

Great! Let's continue with the next highly tested section of the CLEP US History I exam:

🔷 CLEP US History I

Section: Social Developments (25%)

This section focuses on the **evolution of American society**, including major social movements like **slavery, abolitionism, temperance, education reform, women's rights**, and **religious awakenings**.

✅ Most Basic-to-Must-Know Concepts with Examples

1. **Slavery as a Social Institution**
    - Slavery was central to Southern society and economy. It shaped race relations, labor systems, and social hierarchy.

- *Example:* The cotton economy in the Deep South heavily depended on slave labor.

2. **Abolition Movement**
    - Movement to end slavery, led by figures like **Frederick Douglass, William Lloyd Garrison**, and **Sojourner Truth**.
    - *Example:* Garrison's *The Liberator* was a prominent abolitionist newspaper.
3. **Second Great Awakening (1790s–1840s)**
    - A religious revival that emphasized individual salvation and spurred social reform movements.
    - *Example:* Revival meetings led by Charles Grandison Finney encouraged people to take moral action against slavery and alcohol.
4. **Temperance Movement**
    - Campaign to limit or ban alcohol consumption; linked with women and religious leaders.
    - *Example:* The American Temperance Society advocated abstinence from alcohol.
5. **Women's Rights Movement**
    - Emerged from reform movements; key leaders included **Elizabeth Cady Stanton** and **Lucretia Mott**.
    - *Example:* The **Seneca Falls Convention** (1848) issued the *Declaration of Sentiments*, asserting women's equality.
6. **Education Reform**
    - Led by **Horace Mann**, who pushed for free, universal public schooling and teacher training.

- *Example:* Massachusetts became the model for public education reform.

7. **Transcendentalism**
    - Intellectual movement that emphasized nature, self-reliance, and individual conscience.
    - *Example:* Writers like **Ralph Waldo Emerson** and **Henry David Thoreau** inspired resistance to conformity and slavery.
8. **Utopian Communities**
    - Groups that tried to create ideal societies (e.g., **Brook Farm**, **Oneida**, **Shakers**).
    - *Example:* These communities challenged traditional social norms and experimented with communal living.
9. **Native American Displacement**
    - Social impact of policies like the **Indian Removal Act**.
    - *Example:* The *Trail of Tears* symbolized the suffering and forced migration of tribes like the Cherokee.
10. **Changing Roles of Women and the Cult of Domesticity**
    - Women were expected to maintain homes and moral standards; but many entered public life through reform work.
    - *Example:* The "cult of domesticity" idealized women as homemakers, while reformers like Dorothea Dix fought for mental health care.

Next up:

✅ **50 High-Quality Questions and Answers for Social Developments**

Would you like to begin now with questions 1–25?

Here are **questions 1–25** for the **Social Developments (25%)** section of the CLEP US History I exam.

🔷 **CLEP US History I**

Section: Social Developments

✅ **Questions 1–25 with Answers**

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1. What was the main goal of the abolitionist movement?
A. Limit immigration
B. Promote temperance
C. End slavery in the United States
D. Expand slavery into new territories
Answer: C. End slavery in the United States

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2. Who published *The Liberator*, an anti-slavery newspaper?
A. Frederick Douglass
B. Harriet Beecher Stowe
C. William Lloyd Garrison
D. Henry Clay
Answer: C. William Lloyd Garrison

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3. Which African American escaped slavery and became a leading abolitionist speaker and writer?
A. Nat Turner
B. Frederick Douglass
C. Sojourner Truth

D. Benjamin Banneker
Answer: B. Frederick Douglass

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4. What major religious movement inspired many 19th-century reform efforts?
A. First Great Awakening
B. Enlightenment
C. Second Great Awakening
D. Age of Exploration
Answer: C. Second Great Awakening

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5. Charles Grandison Finney was associated with which movement?
A. Abolition
B. Religious revival
C. Women's suffrage
D. Labor reform
Answer: B. Religious revival

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6. The American Temperance Society advocated for:
A. Ending slavery
B. Ending alcohol consumption
C. Promoting immigration
D. Women's education
Answer: B. Ending alcohol consumption

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7. What 1848 event is considered the beginning of the organized women's rights movement?
A. Montgomery Convention
B. Missouri Compromise

C. Seneca Falls Convention
D. First Women's Congress
Answer: C. Seneca Falls Convention

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8. The Declaration of Sentiments was modeled on which founding document?
A. The Bill of Rights
B. U.S. Constitution
C. Mayflower Compact
D. Declaration of Independence
Answer: D. Declaration of Independence

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9. Which woman was a former slave and powerful speaker for abolition and women's rights?
A. Elizabeth Cady Stanton
B. Susan B. Anthony
C. Lucretia Mott
D. Sojourner Truth
Answer: D. Sojourner Truth

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10. Who is known as the father of American public education?
A. Noah Webster
B. Horace Mann
C. Benjamin Franklin
D. John Dewey
Answer: B. Horace Mann

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11. The belief that women should stay at home and raise moral children was called:

A. Feminism
B. Republican motherhood
C. Cult of domesticity
D. Suffragism
Answer: C. Cult of domesticity

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12. Transcendentalism emphasized:
A. Strict obedience to laws
B. The value of European tradition
C. Emotion, nature, and individuality
D. Urbanization
Answer: C. Emotion, nature, and individuality

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13. Which Transcendentalist wrote *Civil Disobedience* and *Walden*?
A. Walt Whitman
B. Henry David Thoreau
C. Nathaniel Hawthorne
D. Ralph Waldo Emerson
Answer: B. Henry David Thoreau

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14. What was one effect of *Uncle Tom's Cabin*?
A. Strengthened the case for westward expansion
B. Increased support for the Compromise of 1850
C. Increased Northern opposition to slavery
D. Supported the Fugitive Slave Law
Answer: C. Increased Northern opposition to slavery

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15. Which movement sought to create ideal societies based on shared property and values?
A. Transcendentalism
B. Utopianism
C. Social Darwinism
D. Capitalism
Answer: B. Utopianism

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16. Which group founded a religious utopian society that practiced celibacy and communal living?
A. Mormons
B. Shakers
C. Puritans
D. Quakers
Answer: B. Shakers

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17. What did Dorothea Dix advocate for?
A. Child labor laws
B. Temperance reform
C. Prison and mental health reform
D. Immigration control
Answer: C. Prison and mental health reform

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18. What religious group settled in Utah to escape persecution?
A. Puritans
B. Baptists
C. Mormons
D. Quakers
Answer: C. Mormons

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19. Nat Turner is best known for:
A. Founding a utopian community
B. Leading an armed slave revolt
C. Helping women gain voting rights
D. Starting the Underground Railroad
Answer: B. Leading an armed slave revolt

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20. Who founded the Mormon Church?
A. Joseph Smith
B. Brigham Young
C. Roger Williams
D. William Miller
Answer: A. Joseph Smith

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21. What caused the decline of the Shaker movement?
A. Persecution
B. Civil War
C. Their celibacy
D. Urbanization
Answer: C. Their celibacy

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22. What did the “gag rule” do in Congress in the 1830s?
A. Outlawed alcohol
B. Blocked discussion of slavery
C. Limited the press
D. Increased tariffs
Answer: B. Blocked discussion of slavery

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23. What was one result of the temperance movement?
A. Rise of public education
B. Creation of political parties
C. Growth of women's activism
D. Increased alcohol consumption
Answer: C. Growth of women's activism

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24. Why did the Second Great Awakening have a broad impact?
A. It was limited to the elite
B. It was confined to the South
C. It reached across race, class, and gender
D. It focused only on theology
Answer: C. It reached across race, class, and gender

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25. Which author's writing inspired resistance to unjust laws?
A. Ralph Waldo Emerson
B. Harriet Beecher Stowe
C. William Cullen Bryant
D. Henry David Thoreau
Answer: D. Henry David Thoreau

Would you like to continue with **questions 26–50** for this section now?

Here are **questions 26–50** for the **Social Developments** section of the CLEP US History I exam.

🔷 **CLEP US History I**

Section: Social Developments (25%)

✅ **Questions 26–50 with Answers**

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26. The Underground Railroad was:
A. A transportation system for northern cities
B. A secret network to help slaves escape
C. A campaign to build southern railroads
D. A part of the Gadsden Purchase
Answer: B. A secret network to help slaves escape

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27. Who was a key “conductor” on the Underground Railroad?
A. Sojourner Truth
B. Elizabeth Cady Stanton
C. Harriet Tubman
D. Horace Mann
Answer: C. Harriet Tubman

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28. What is one reason public education gained support in the early 19th century?
A. To train students for industrial jobs
B. To assimilate immigrants
C. To prepare informed citizens
D. To promote colonial loyalty
Answer: C. To prepare informed citizens

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29. What reform was Dorothea Dix most closely associated with?
A. Alcohol reform
B. Women's suffrage
C. Prison and asylum reform
D. Education
Answer: C. Prison and asylum reform

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30. The Oneida Community practiced:
A. Complete celibacy
B. Polygamy
C. Complex marriage and shared property
D. Isolationism and fasting
Answer: C. Complex marriage and shared property

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31. What was one of the goals of the American Colonization Society?
A. To settle Native Americans in the West
B. To help immigrants from Ireland
C. To return freed slaves to Africa
D. To support public education
Answer: C. To return freed slaves to Africa

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32. Ralph Waldo Emerson's philosophy emphasized:
A. Rebellion
B. Enlightenment rationality
C. Conformity and moderation
D. Self-reliance and nature
Answer: D. Self-reliance and nature

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33. The Brook Farm community was associated with:
A. Temperance
B. Abolition
C. Utopian socialism and Transcendentalism
D. Westward expansion
Answer: C. Utopian socialism and Transcendentalism

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34. The “burned-over district” referred to:
A. Western frontier wars
B. Industrial fire zones
C. Areas of intense religious revival in New York
D. South Carolina cotton towns
Answer: C. Areas of intense religious revival in New York

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35. Which of the following best describes the aim of 19th-century utopian communities?
A. Religious tolerance
B. Social perfection and reform
C. Financial profit
D. Urban planning
Answer: B. Social perfection and reform

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36. What was the primary purpose of the Seneca Falls Convention?
A. Protest slavery
B. Discuss westward expansion
C. Demand equal rights for women
D. Promote education
Answer: C. Demand equal rights for women

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37. The term “abolition” refers to the effort to:
A. End immigration
B. Stop the spread of alcohol
C. Eliminate slavery
D. Promote industrialization
Answer: C. Eliminate slavery

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38. What was a major theme of *Uncle Tom’s Cabin*?
A. The morality of slavery
B. Western migration
C. The problems with democracy
D. Support for plantation owners
Answer: A. The morality of slavery

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39. The American Temperance Society encouraged:
A. Political reform
B. Drinking in moderation
C. Abstinence from alcohol
D. Education for girls
Answer: C. Abstinence from alcohol

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40. Who coined the phrase “Self-Reliance” in a well-known essay?
A. Frederick Douglass
B. William Lloyd Garrison
C. Ralph Waldo Emerson
D. Charles Finney
Answer: C. Ralph Waldo Emerson

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41. What was a shared goal of the women's rights and abolitionist movements?
A. Industrial growth
B. Religious conversion
C. Social equality
D. Lower taxes
Answer: C. Social equality

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42. What did the "Declaration of Sentiments" call for?
A. The annexation of Texas
B. Temperance laws
C. Equal rights for women
D. Religious freedom
Answer: C. Equal rights for women

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43. Which social movement was most inspired by religious revivalism?
A. Labor unionism
B. Temperance and abolition
C. Expansionism
D. Federalism
Answer: B. Temperance and abolition

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44. Which issue did both abolitionists and transcendentalists often agree on?
A. Opposition to immigration
B. Resistance to war
C. Opposition to slavery
D. Support for monarchy
Answer: C. Opposition to slavery

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45. “Ain’t I a Woman?” is a famous speech by:
A. Susan B. Anthony
B. Harriet Tubman
C. Sojourner Truth
D. Clara Barton
Answer: C. Sojourner Truth

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46. Which movement sought to improve the condition of the mentally ill?
A. Abolition
B. Women’s rights
C. Asylum reform
D. Public health
Answer: C. Asylum reform

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47. Which group generally supported the idea of “separate spheres” for men and women?
A. Abolitionists
B. Transcendentalists
C. Traditionalists
D. Utopians
Answer: C. Traditionalists

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48. What was one major criticism of utopian communities?
A. They rejected democracy
B. They excluded religion
C. They were often economically unsustainable
D. They used slave labor
Answer: C. They were often economically unsustainable

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49. What was the goal of the Grimké sisters?
A. Improve factories
B. Promote abolition and women's rights
C. Organize Mormons
D. Spread temperance laws
Answer: B. Promote abolition and women's rights

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50. The rise of reform movements in the early 1800s was largely influenced by:
A. Nationalism
B. The War of 1812
C. The Second Great Awakening
D. Tariff laws
Answer: C. The Second Great Awakening

✅ That completes the **50 exam-style questions** for the **Social Developments** section.

Would you like to continue with the next most-tested section:
"Political Institutions and Behavior (30%)"?

Great! Let's continue.

🔷 **CLEP US History I**

Section: Political Institutions and Behavior (30%)

✅ **Most Basic to Must-Know Concepts with Examples**

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1. Founding Documents and Ideas

- **Constitution**: Established the structure of the U.S. government with separation of powers (executive, legislative, judicial).
- **Federalism**: Division of powers between federal and state governments.
- **Bill of Rights**: First 10 amendments protecting individual freedoms (e.g., speech, religion, due process).
- **Example**: The First Amendment protects the right to free speech and religion.

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2. Federalists vs. Anti-Federalists

- **Federalists**: Supported the Constitution; wanted a strong central government (e.g., Alexander Hamilton).
- **Anti-Federalists**: Feared central power; demanded a Bill of Rights (e.g., Thomas Jefferson).
- **Example**: Federalist Papers were written to defend the Constitution.

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3. Political Parties

- **First Party System**: Federalists vs. Democratic-Republicans.
- **Second Party System**: Democrats (Jackson) vs. Whigs (Clay).
- **Role of Parties**: Organize elections, policies, opposition.
- **Example**: Andrew Jackson's Democrats favored the "common man" and westward expansion.

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4. Judicial Review

- **Marbury v. Madison (1803)**: Established judicial review—Supreme Court can rule laws unconstitutional.

- **Example**: Supreme Court invalidates state laws violating the Constitution.

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5. Presidential Power and Elections

- **Electoral College**: System to elect president; can differ from popular vote.
- **Expansion of Suffrage**: Gradual increase from property-owning white men to universal white male suffrage (by Jacksonian era).
- **Example**: 1828 election showed rise of mass democracy with Andrew Jackson.

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6. Checks and Balances

- Each branch can check the others to prevent tyranny.
- **Example**: Congress can impeach the president; president can veto laws; courts can overturn laws.

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7. State vs. Federal Power

- **Nullification Crisis (1832)**: South Carolina tried to nullify a federal tariff law—Jackson opposed it.
- **Example**: Debate over slavery often involved state rights arguments.

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8. Expansion of Federal Power

- **Louisiana Purchase**: Doubled U.S. size; Jefferson used executive power despite constitutional doubts.
- **National Bank**: Hamilton's creation tested federal power over economy.

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9. Major Supreme Court Cases

- **McCulloch v. Maryland (1819)**: Federal law overrules state law; upheld Bank of U.S.
- **Gibbons v. Ogden (1824)**: Federal government controls interstate commerce.

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10. Civil Liberties and Crises

- During war or rebellion, liberties were often curtailed (e.g., Alien and Sedition Acts).
- **Example**: Kentucky and Virginia Resolutions argued states could nullify unconstitutional laws.

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Here are the **50 high-quality, exam-style questions and answers** for the **Political Institutions and Behavior (30%)** section of the CLEP US History I exam.

🔷 **CLEP US History I**

Section: Political Institutions and Behavior (30%)

✅ **Questions 1–50 with Answers**

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1. What is the purpose of the separation of powers in the U.S. Constitution?
A. To centralize authority under the president

B. To allow states to control foreign policy
C. To prevent any one branch from becoming too powerful
D. To eliminate political parties
Answer: C. To prevent any one branch from becoming too powerful

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2. The principle of **judicial review** was established in:
A. Dred Scott v. Sandford
B. Marbury v. Madison
C. McCulloch v. Maryland
D. Gibbons v. Ogden
Answer: B. Marbury v. Madison

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3. The Federalist Papers were written to:
A. Oppose the Bill of Rights
B. Encourage ratification of the Constitution
C. Establish the Democratic-Republican Party
D. End slavery
Answer: B. Encourage ratification of the Constitution

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4. The main reason Anti-Federalists opposed the Constitution was:
A. It abolished state governments
B. It created a monarchy
C. It lacked a Bill of Rights
D. It gave power to the British
Answer: C. It lacked a Bill of Rights

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5. The Bill of Rights was added to the Constitution to:
A. Satisfy the demands of the Federalists

B. Limit the power of the national government
C. Support the British
D. Increase presidential powers
Answer: B. Limit the power of the national government

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6. Which of the following best describes federalism?
A. Power is held only by the national government
B. Power is shared between state and national governments
C. The president holds all authority
D. Local governments have no role
Answer: B. Power is shared between state and national governments

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7. What did McCulloch v. Maryland establish?
A. Judicial review
B. State sovereignty over banks
C. Federal supremacy and implied powers
D. Rights of the accused
Answer: C. Federal supremacy and implied powers

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8. The "elastic clause" in the Constitution allows:
A. Congress to stretch its powers for necessary laws
B. States to overrule Congress
C. The Supreme Court to amend the Constitution
D. The president to declare war
Answer: A. Congress to stretch its powers for necessary laws

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9. Alexander Hamilton favored:
A. Strong state governments

B. Weak national bank
C. Strong central government and industry
D. Isolationism
Answer: C. Strong central government and industry

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10. Thomas Jefferson opposed the Bank of the United States because:
A. He believed it was unconstitutional
B. He wanted British control of finance
C. He favored paper money
D. He believed in centralized government
Answer: A. He believed it was unconstitutional

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11. The Democratic-Republican Party was founded by:
A. George Washington
B. James Madison and Thomas Jefferson
C. Alexander Hamilton
D. Andrew Jackson
Answer: B. James Madison and Thomas Jefferson

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12. The **Alien and Sedition Acts** aimed to:
A. Stop slave uprisings
B. Protect free speech
C. Silence opposition to the Federalists
D. Promote westward expansion
Answer: C. Silence opposition to the Federalists

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13. The **Kentucky and Virginia Resolutions** argued that:
A. Congress should raise taxes

B. Slavery was immoral
C. States could nullify unconstitutional federal laws
D. The Supreme Court had too much power
Answer: C. States could nullify unconstitutional federal laws

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14. The Electoral College:
A. Ensures direct democracy
B. Elects Congress members
C. Elects the president
D. Was abolished after the Civil War
Answer: C. Elects the president

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15. The 1828 election of Andrew Jackson reflected:
A. Rise of aristocracy
B. Decline of popular politics
C. Growth of political participation among common men
D. Federalist dominance
Answer: C. Growth of political participation among common men

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16. The “spoils system” refers to:
A. Wealthy politicians buying votes
B. Military leaders taking political power
C. Rewarding political supporters with government jobs
D. Federalists’ control of Congress
Answer: C. Rewarding political supporters with government jobs

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17. Which event highlighted the issue of state vs. federal power during Jackson’s presidency?

A. Bank War
B. Trail of Tears
C. Nullification Crisis
D. Panic of 1837
Answer: C. Nullification Crisis

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18. During the Nullification Crisis, what did South Carolina oppose?
A. Indian Removal Act
B. National Bank
C. Protective tariffs
D. Slavery
Answer: C. Protective tariffs

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19. Who resolved the Nullification Crisis with a compromise tariff?
A. Andrew Jackson
B. Henry Clay
C. John C. Calhoun
D. Martin Van Buren
Answer: B. Henry Clay

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20. What was one goal of Henry Clay's **American System**?
A. End slavery
B. Expand state rights
C. Promote industry and internal improvements
D. Lower tariffs
Answer: C. Promote industry and internal improvements

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🔷 Questions 21–50 with Answers

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21. The term “strict constructionist” refers to someone who:
A. Interprets the Constitution loosely to allow more federal power
B. Believes the Constitution should be interpreted narrowly and literally
C. Wants to rewrite the Constitution
D. Ignores the Constitution
Answer: B. Believes the Constitution should be interpreted narrowly and literally

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22. Which Founding Father was most associated with strict construction?
A. Alexander Hamilton
B. George Washington
C. Thomas Jefferson
D. John Adams
Answer: C. Thomas Jefferson

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23. What was the significance of **Gibbons v. Ogden** (1824)?
A. It supported state control of commerce
B. It gave Congress the power to regulate interstate commerce
C. It limited Congress’ authority
D. It outlawed steamboats
Answer: B. It gave Congress the power to regulate interstate commerce

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24. Which political party favored a national bank, tariffs, and a strong federal government in the early 1800s?
A. Democratic-Republicans
B. Democrats
C. Federalists
D. Whigs
Answer: C. Federalists

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25. What is one result of the system of checks and balances?
A. The Supreme Court can pass laws
B. The president can remove judges
C. No branch becomes too powerful
D. Congress appoints the president
Answer: C. No branch becomes too powerful

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26. Which branch of government has the power to declare war?
A. Executive
B. Legislative
C. Judicial
D. State governments
Answer: B. Legislative

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27. Which group gained voting rights during the Jacksonian era?
A. African Americans
B. White men without property
C. Women
D. Native Americans
Answer: B. White men without property

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28. The case of **Worcester v. Georgia** (1832) involved:
A. Tariff disputes
B. Indian land rights
C. Freedom of the press
D. Voting rights
Answer: B. Indian land rights

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29. Andrew Jackson's reaction to Worcester v. Georgia was:
A. He enforced the ruling
B. He resigned from office
C. He ignored the ruling
D. He expanded the ruling
Answer: C. He ignored the ruling

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30. Who had the final authority in constitutional matters after Marbury v. Madison?
A. President
B. Congress
C. Supreme Court
D. State courts
Answer: C. Supreme Court

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31. Which party formed in opposition to Andrew Jackson?
A. Federalists
B. Democratic-Republicans
C. Whigs
D. Know-Nothings
Answer: C. Whigs

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32. The concept of **nullification** challenges:
A. The Bill of Rights
B. The authority of the judiciary
C. Federal supremacy
D. The power of the presidency
Answer: C. Federal supremacy

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33. Which president used the veto more than his predecessors?
A. James Madison
B. John Adams
C. Andrew Jackson
D. Thomas Jefferson
Answer: C. Andrew Jackson

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34. What issue led to the creation of the first political parties?
A. Native American policy
B. Tariffs
C. Interpretation of the Constitution
D. War of 1812
Answer: C. Interpretation of the Constitution

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35. Which part of the Constitution allows Congress to make all laws “necessary and proper”?
A. Supremacy Clause
B. Commerce Clause
C. Elastic Clause
D. Full Faith and Credit Clause
Answer: C. Elastic Clause

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36. What did the Twelfth Amendment change?
A. Freed the slaves
B. Gave women the vote
C. Revised presidential election procedures
D. Outlawed poll taxes
Answer: C. Revised presidential election procedures

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37. The concept of “republicanism” promotes:
A. Rule by king
B. Direct democracy
C. Elected representatives
D. Hereditary rulers
Answer: C. Elected representatives

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38. What is one check the legislative branch has over the executive?
A. Veto power
B. Commanding the military
C. Approving treaties
D. Declaring laws unconstitutional
Answer: C. Approving treaties

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39. The principle that government is limited by a written constitution is known as:
A. Direct democracy
B. Popular sovereignty
C. Constitutionalism
D. Federalism
Answer: C. Constitutionalism

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40. Which of the following best reflects the principle of **popular sovereignty**?
A. Presidents appoint judges
B. Laws are passed by Congress
C. Citizens vote for their leaders
D. Supreme Court interprets the law
Answer: C. Citizens vote for their leaders

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41. Under the Constitution, who holds the “power of the purse”?
A. Supreme Court
B. Senate
C. House of Representatives
D. President
Answer: C. House of Representatives

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42. The idea that each branch of government can limit the powers of the others is:
A. Dual federalism
B. Judicial supremacy
C. Checks and balances
D. Executive privilege
Answer: C. Checks and balances

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43. The president’s cabinet is an example of:
A. Informal amendment
B. Judicial legislation
C. Congressional oversight
D. Reserved powers
Answer: A. Informal amendment

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44. The term “impeachment” refers to:
A. Declaring war
B. Overturning a law
C. Charging a government official with misconduct
D. Pardoning a criminal
Answer: C. Charging a government official with misconduct

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45. The outcome of the **Bank War** led to:
A. The strengthening of the Bank of the United States
B. A national economic crisis
C. Federal power over currency
D. Reduced tariffs
Answer: B. A national economic crisis

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46. The Constitution limits the president’s power by:
A. Allowing unlimited terms
B. Requiring Senate approval of treaties
C. Granting full budget control
D. Giving control of the army to governors
Answer: B. Requiring Senate approval of treaties

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47. Which of the following is a reserved power under the Constitution?
A. Declare war
B. Regulate education
C. Coin money
D. Negotiate foreign treaties
Answer: B. Regulate education

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48. One goal of the framers in designing the Constitution was to:
A. Eliminate state governments
B. Create a monarchy
C. Prevent tyranny
D. Unite church and state
Answer: C. Prevent tyranny

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49. What role does the vice president play in the Senate?
A. Appoints committee chairs
B. Acts as Speaker
C. Presides and breaks ties
D. Has no role
Answer: C. Presides and breaks ties

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50. Which founding principle supports the idea that government derives its power from the people?
A. Popular sovereignty
B. National supremacy
C. Implied powers
D. Elastic clause
Answer: A. Popular sovereignty

Would you like to move on to the next major CLEP US History I section—**Economic and Social Developments (10%)**—starting with basic-to-must-know concepts and examples?

Great! Let's dive into the **Economic and Social Developments (10%)** section of the CLEP US History I exam.

🔷 Most Basic-to-Must-Know Concepts (with Examples)

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1. Agrarian Economy to Market Economy

- **Basic Idea**: Early America was mostly rural and agrarian. Over time, it shifted toward a **market-based economy** with increased trade, manufacturing, and specialization.
- **Example**: Farmers began producing crops like cotton and wheat not just for personal use but for sale in distant markets.

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2. The Market Revolution (early 1800s)

- **Key Concept**: A major shift in how goods were produced and sold. Sparked by innovations in **transportation**, **communication**, and **industrialization**.
- **Example**: Steamboats (like the Clermont), canals (Erie Canal), and railroads revolutionized the movement of goods and people.

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3. Industrialization

- **Key Concept**: Factories and machines replaced hand tools. The textile industry in the Northeast was especially significant.
- **Example**: Lowell Mills in Massachusetts employed young women in textile production.

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4. Cotton Gin & King Cotton

- **Key Concept**: The invention of the **cotton gin** (1793 by Eli Whitney) drastically increased cotton production in the South and reinforced dependence on **slave labor**.
- **Example**: Cotton exports made up a huge portion of U.S. exports by the 1800s.

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5. Labor and Social Changes

- **Key Concept**: Industrial growth led to the rise of the **working class** and early labor movements.
- **Example**: Workers protested for shorter workdays and better wages, especially in factories.

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6. Transportation Revolution

- **Key Concept**: Canals, roads, railroads, and steamboats connected the nation, lowering costs and increasing trade.
- **Example**: The Erie Canal linked the Great Lakes to the Atlantic, reducing shipping costs by 90%.

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7. Communication Advances

- **Key Concept**: Improved communication connected distant parts of the country.
- **Example**: **Samuel Morse's telegraph (1844)** sent the first long-distance message: “What hath God wrought?”

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8. Urbanization

- **Key Concept**: Cities grew rapidly due to factory jobs and immigration.
- **Example**: New York City became a major economic center.

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9. Immigration Waves

- **Key Concept**: Millions came from Europe (especially Ireland and Germany) due to famine and political unrest.
- **Example**: Irish immigrants faced discrimination but worked in canals, railroads, and factories.

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10. American System (Henry Clay)

- **Key Concept**: A plan to strengthen the economy through **protective tariffs**, a **national bank**, and **internal improvements** (infrastructure).
- **Example**: Tariff of 1816 supported American manufacturers by taxing imports.

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11. Tariff Controversies

- **Key Concept**: Protective tariffs helped Northern industries but hurt Southern consumers.
- **Example**: **Tariff of Abominations (1828)** led to the **Nullification Crisis**.

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12. Slavery's Economic Role

- **Key Concept**: The Southern economy depended on slavery, especially in cotton production.
- **Example**: Plantations thrived as cotton became the South's economic backbone.

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13. Panic of 1819

- **Key Concept**: America's first major economic crisis, caused by over-speculation and easy credit.
- **Example**: Farmers lost land, and public trust in the national bank declined.

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14. Panic of 1837

- **Key Concept**: Caused by Andrew Jackson's bank policies and speculation, leading to a severe recession.
- **Example**: Thousands of businesses failed, and unemployment rose sharply.

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15. Women and Work

- **Key Concept**: Early factory jobs gave women new roles but reinforced gender inequality.
- **Example**: Lowell girls had rules, curfews, and lower wages than men.

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🔷 Economic and Social Developments: 50 Exam Questions with Answers

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1. What invention revolutionized cotton production in the South?
   Eli Whitney's cotton gin
2. What was the primary effect of the cotton gin on slavery?
   It expanded slavery in the South
3. What term describes the transformation of the U.S. economy in the early 1800s?
   Market Revolution
4. The Erie Canal connected which two major bodies of water?
   Lake Erie and the Hudson River
5. What did the American System advocate?
   Tariffs, national bank, and internal improvements
6. Who was the key promoter of the American System?
   Henry Clay
7. What was the main crop of the South in the 1800s?
   Cotton
8. The Lowell System primarily employed which group?
   Young, unmarried women
9. The Tariff of Abominations led to which crisis?
   Nullification Crisis
10. What was the first major economic depression in U.S. history?
    Panic of 1819
11. What new form of transportation reduced shipping costs and boosted trade in the early 1800s?
    Steamboats

12. What communication invention transformed business and news in the 1840s?
    Telegraph

13. What did “King Cotton” refer to?
    The economic dominance of cotton in the South

14. The Panic of 1837 was partly caused by the destruction of what institution?
    Second Bank of the United States

15. What immigrant group came in large numbers due to the potato famine?
    Irish

16. Which region of the U.S. became the industrial center during the early 1800s?
    Northeast

17. Which economic policy benefited Northern manufacturers but harmed Southern farmers?
    Protective tariffs

18. The National Road helped connect the East to which region?
    The West

19. Which group faced discrimination but provided cheap labor in urban centers?
    Irish immigrants

20. Which city grew rapidly due to its location on the Erie Canal?
    New York City

21. What labor organization emerged in the 1830s to fight for worker rights?
    Workingmen’s Party

22. What reform did workers commonly demand in the early labor movement?
    10-hour workday

23. How did canals impact economic development?
    They lowered shipping costs and increased trade

24. The term “wage slavery” was used to criticize what?
    Factory labor conditions

25. What was the primary cause of urbanization during the Market Revolution?
    Factory jobs

26. How did railroads affect regional economies?
    They connected distant markets

27. What social class grew during the early 1800s due to economic changes?
    Middle class

28. What was one negative consequence of urbanization?
    Poor sanitation and overcrowding

29. The rise of the factory system contributed to what change in gender roles?
    Women began working outside the home

30. What invention helped expand agricultural production in the Midwest?
    Mechanical reaper

31. What did Samuel Slater bring to America from Britain?
    Knowledge of textile machinery

32. What movement aimed to improve working conditions and wages?
    Labor reform movement

33. What is another term for economic self-sufficiency, supported by the American System?
    Economic nationalism

34. What group most opposed tariffs in the 19th century?
    Southern planters

35. The rise of factory towns like Lowell marked what major shift?
Industrialization

36. What transportation development was especially important in the South?
Steamboats on rivers

37. Why was the telegraph important for business?
Faster long-distance communication

38. What U.S. region remained largely agricultural during the Market Revolution?
South

39. What product did New England specialize in during early industrialization?
Textiles

40. What financial institution did Jackson attack, contributing to the Panic of 1837?
The Second Bank of the United States

41. What major economic idea did Jacksonians oppose?
Central banking

42. The factory system relied on what key element for success?
Division of labor

43. What two immigrant groups primarily settled in the Northeast?
Irish and Germans

44. Which region relied most heavily on enslaved labor in the 1800s?
South

45. What concept emphasized improving the economy through federal government action?
American System

46. Which invention improved river transportation dramatically?
Steamboat

47. What was the impact of interchangeable parts?
    Mass production became possible

48. What invention helped boost Western farming?
    Steel plow (by John Deere)

49. How did immigration affect labor supply?
    Increased supply and lowered wages

50. The use of machines in factories led to what economic change?
    Increased productivity and lower costs

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